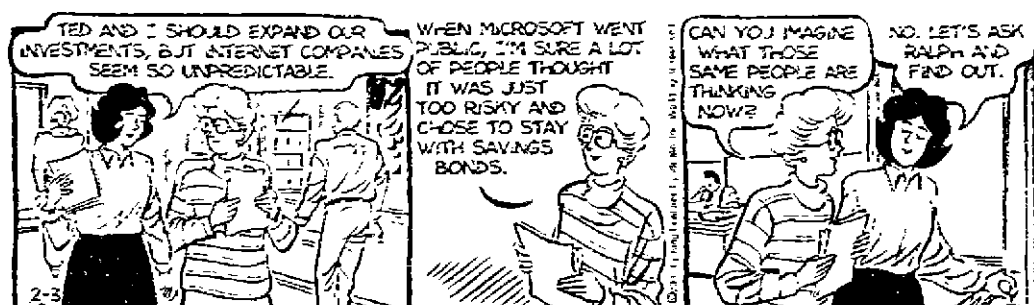


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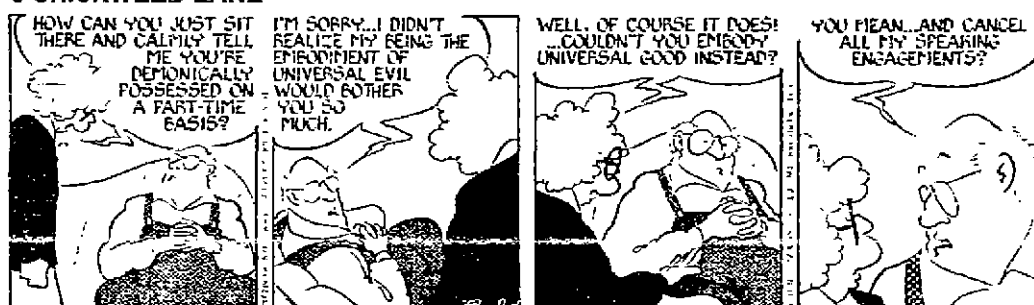
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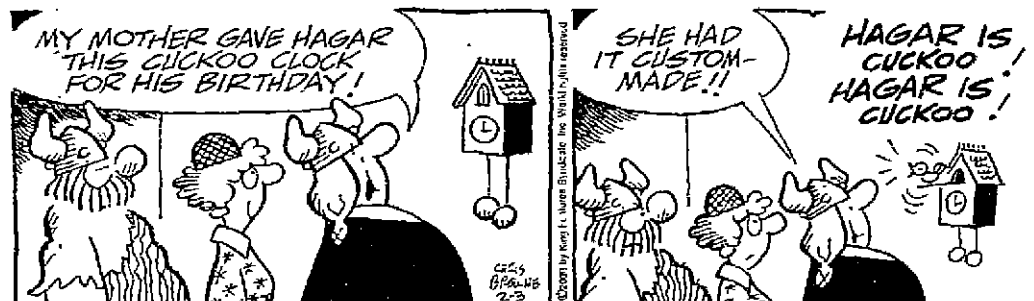
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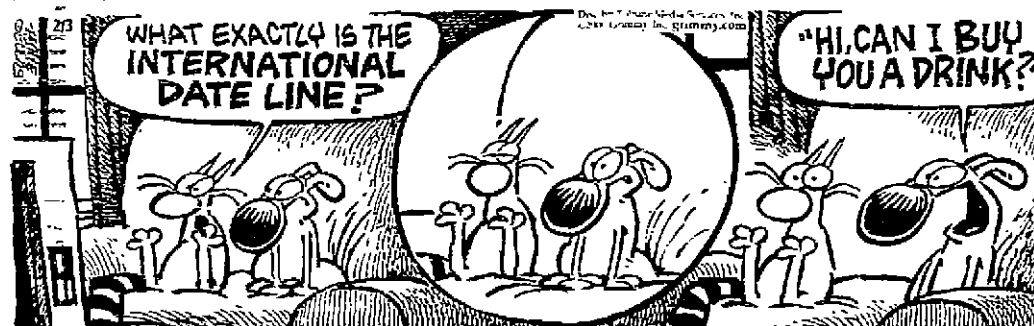
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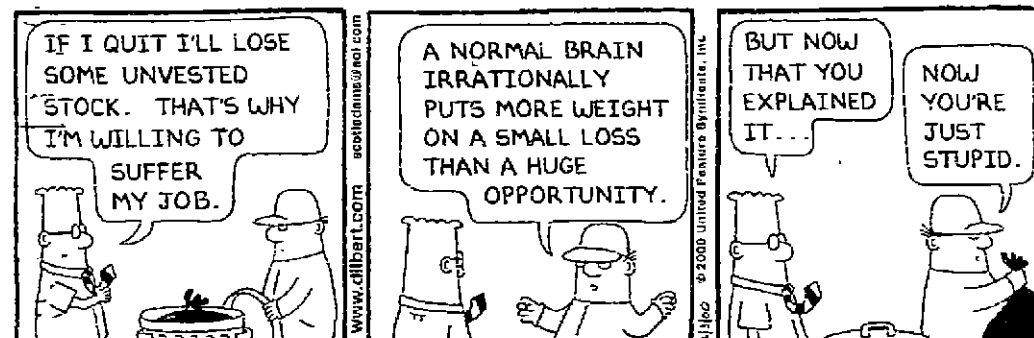
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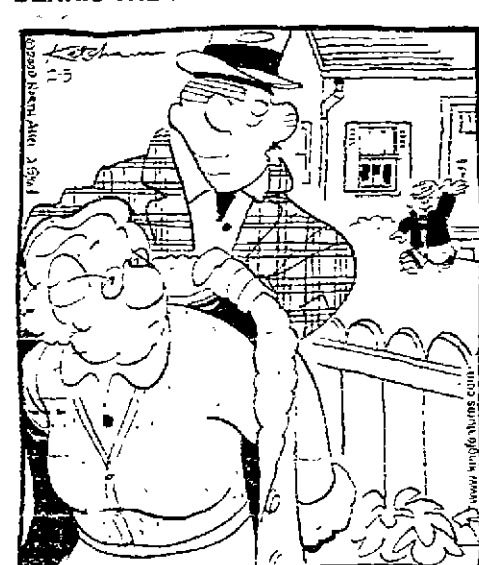
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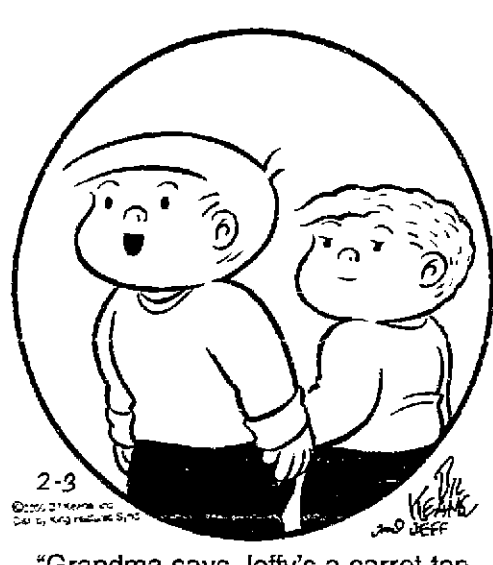
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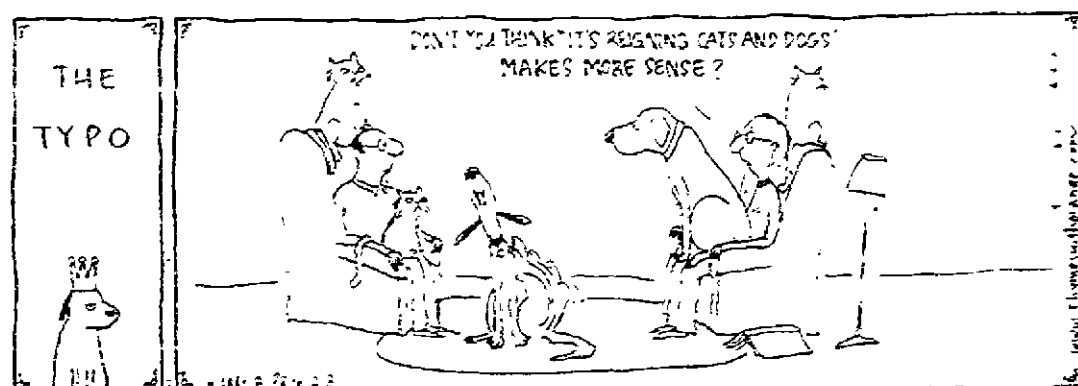
DENNIS THE MENACE



FAMILY CIRCUS



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



HOROSCOPE

For Friday, Feb. 4

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Keeping a positive mental attitude can mean the difference between success and failure today.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) As the moon moves through the house of Capricorn, this is a good time to make travel plans.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Be very careful when doing business with someone you aren't familiar with.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) As the moon moves through the house of Capricorn, your chances of being misunderstood are high.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) You are in a position to help someone today.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) Meeting someone new is on the schedule for today.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) If you are feeling out of sorts today, it might be best to keep your interaction with others to a minimum.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Instead of standing back from the crowd today, Scorpio, go ahead and take the initiative.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Try to think of new ways to save money today.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) A project you've been working on finally receives the praise it deserves.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) You're making the effort, so why isn't everything working out the way you planned?

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) Friends look up to you for inspiration and advice today.

RALPH



"The Girl Scouts of America would like to retain your services for 75,000 cookies a year."

WORD SLEUTH

PLAYED IN 8 OR MORE PRO BOWLS

HURPSIRRAHMIJGDA
XVSQIKNKIFDAXVT
QOMJNHCFCAYSWUR
PNSLGETHIWHJHFD
HBZRLRXGREENEVT
RSQOEMONLDKAIHF
DBIBTDZLOYNMWVT
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Wednesday's unlisted clue: WEEDS

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions—forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Thursday's unlisted clue hint: 49ers RECEIVER JERRY —

Doleman	Lambert	Parrish	Singletary
Greene	Lofon	Payton	Taylor
Harris	Lott	Sanders	White
Hendricks	Moon	Shell	

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For solution, see Classified.

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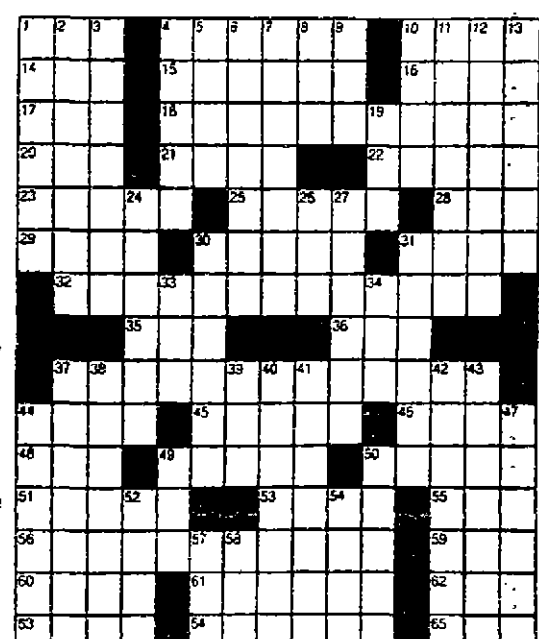
- 1 Mil. rank
- 4 Aim
- 10 Whole slew
- 14 Atlas Mtns. locale
- 15 Gas log, e.g.
- 16 Gillette product
- 17 Gaggle formation
- 18 Self-help classic
- 20 H.S. class
- 21 American League color line breaker
- 22 Capture
- 23 Open-mouthed
- 25 City south of Gainesville
- 28 Prefix with classic
- 29 Madre's little one
- 30 Capture
- 31 Sandbag
- 32 Grilling technique
- 35 Palme (Cannes award)
- 36 Norm
- 37 Type of argument
- 44 Sprite
- 45 Major's successor
- 46 Ready for the operating room
- 48 Addams Family member
- 49 Human or alien
- 50 Freetown currency unit
- 51 Pang
- 53 Former South Korean president
- 55 item in a photog's file
- 56 "Tommy" tune
- 59 Kissar
- 60 They're sometimes twisted
- 61 What King Arthur's knights wore
- 62 Genesis evilee
- 63 It's often reviewed in newspapers
- 64 On the way out?
- 65 Homer's TV neighbor

DOWN

- 1 Collapse
- 2 Cologne change
- 3 Mint family member
- 4 Stand for
- 5 Clash of heavyweights
- 6 Free
- 7 Mushroom variety
- 8 Actor Alejandro
- 9 Ranch extension?
- 10 Not well?
- 11 Eroded
- 12 Suddenly stopped working
- 13 Hire
- 19 Part of an Olympics chant
- 24 Like pine scent, say
- 26 Certain Wall Streeter, briefly

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ITSA MARS MATZO
BRIC ALOT ANION
AUNTIEEMU NANNY
RECURS ANON TEX
DEARTH TRIG
LEROI ASLEEP
JAM GOLDENHINDU
OLEO DAD BONN
SAMTHESHAMU SAY
EROTIC OMENS
ONCE STITCH
BOZ TELL ITALIA
ORIBI BOGEYMENU
SATIN OVER PAGE
SLING WETS STER



Puzzle by Joe DiPietro

27 Figure skater, at times	42 Triathletes	49 Royal jelly maker
30 Penman	43 Calhoun of "The Convent"	50 Distrustful
31 Scuffle	44 Log cutter	52 Trans-Siberian Railroad city
33 1950 film noir classic	47 Classified, informally	54 They just won't fly
34 Court V.I.P.'s		
37 Casual greeting		
38 Like no-holds-barred sports		
39 Sixth-century date		
40 Riviera resort		
41 Poker variety		

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